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This supplements the Information Disclosure Statement submitted in the above-identified application on June 5, 2001.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after either a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the Issue Fee, and therefore the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks to charge the requisite fee in the amount of \$180.00 under 37

C.F.R. §1.17(p) to their Deposit Account (No. 05-1323) and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e).

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97 (e)

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #951/49617).

Respectfully submitted,

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